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Dear Sir:

In response to the Action mailed September 29, 2003, Applicants provide the following remarks.


The Examiner has requested restriction of examination to one of two groups. Group I comprises claims 1-45 drawn to methods of detecting a single nucleotide polymorphism apparently classified in class 435, subclass 6. Group II comprises claim 46, drawn to primers apparently classified in class 536, subclass 24.33. Applicants respectfully elect Group I comprising claims 1-45, drawn to methods of detecting a single nucleotide polymorphism, with traverse. The basis for Applicants' traversal is that the Examiner has not shown how searching both groups of claims would be unduly burdensome. Further, Applicants also note that they do not necessarily wish to be bound to the Examiner's logic for requesting restriction of examination.

Favorable consideration of all claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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